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SUBJECT: SITUATION IN PHNOM PENH

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1. THE GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO HOLD THE INITIATIVE WITH
LITTLE INDICATIONS OF ANY EARLY RIPOSTE FROM ITS ADVERSARIES.

2. PARLIAMENT MEETING IN JOINT SESSION TODAY APPROVED A
RESOLUTION RATIFYING PRESIDENT LON NOL' S PROCLAMATION OF
A STATE OF EMERGENCY. SPECIFIC APPROVAL WAS GIVEN TO
THE SUSPENSION OF ARTICLES 7, 8, 11 AND 12 OF THE
CONSTITUTION.

3. THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION PUBLISHED A COMMUNIQUE
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POSTPONING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE RESUMPTION OF CLASSES, WHICH HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN SET FOR MARCH 26, AND INVITING STUDENTS IN THE INTERIM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFENSE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE REPUBLIC. ACCORDING TO THE COMMUNIQUE, THIS DELAY WAS NECESSARY TO " PERMIT THE AUTHORITIES TO REESTABLISH ORDER AND SECURITY IN THE VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND TO FIGHT AGAINST SUBVERSIVE INTRIGUES OF THE ENEMY." COMMENT: THIS RETRACTION OF THE RECENT ORDER TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS TO RETURN TO CLASS MAY ALSO HELP TEMPER TO COOL.

4. FUNERAL SERVICES FOR THE TWO STUDENTS KILLED IN THE MARCH 17 GRENADE INCIDENT AT THE FACULTY OF PEDAGOGY WERE HELD YESTERDAY. THE MINISTERS OF INFORMATION AND SOCIAL ACTION AND OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ATTENDED BUT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE KHMER STUDENT ASSOCIATION WERE NOT ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THAT ORGANIZATION TOLD US TODAY.

5. REPORTS OF ARRESTS CONTINUE TO CIRCULATE BUT WE HAVE NO RPT NO NEW CONFIRMED CASES. FACULTY OF PEDAGOGY VICINITY AND OTHER AREAS CLOSED OFF HAVE BEEN REOPENED TO TRAFFIC, HOWEVER, AND THE CITY HAS RESUMED A NEAR NORMAL PACE.
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